## **EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 96-13**

## Flying the POW/MIA Flag Over the State Capitol

WHEREAS: The Louisiana Legislature passed House Concurrent Resolution Number 6 of the First Extraordinary Session of 1991 which proclaimed that the POW/MIA flag be flown over the Louisiana State Capitol building for the three-month period of April, May and June, to honor those men and women who have been or who are prisoners of war or missing in action, and to express to them the gratitude of the citizens of the State of Louisiana.

WHEREAS: Executive Order Number BR 91-13 ordered and directed that the POW/MIA flag be flown over the Louisiana State Capitol Building until December 31, 1991; and

WHEREAS: Executive Order Number EWE 92-25 ordered and directed that the POW/MIA flag be flown over the Louisiana State Capitol Building from April 1, 1992 until January 8, 1996;

NOW THEREFORE, I, M. J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct that the POW/MIA flag shall be flown over the Louisiana State Capitol Building throughout the duration of my term as governor, as a symbol of the gratitude of the citizens of this state to all the men and women who are listed as missing in action, or who are or have been forcibly detained as a prisoner of war by our enemies. These persons have sacrificed and suffered much for their country while fighting for the cause of freedom.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 22nd day of May, 1996.

M. J. "Mike" Foster, Jr. Governor

ATTEST BY THE GOVERNOR Fox McKeithen Secretary of State 9606#006